

FISCAL NOTE

SB 685 - HB 793

March 5, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes grandparents and stepparents of a child to petition for visitation rights when such child's parent or parents are on active military duty and will be out of the state for at least 90 days.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-6-3 authorizes certain instances when a grandparent or a stepparent may petition the court for visitation rights.
- There will not be a significant increase in the caseloads of the court system to handle petitions authorized by the proposed legislation. Any increase will be absorbed within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly distinguishable.

James W. White, Executive Director